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In re the Application of:

Werner SEEGER et al.

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For: BIODEGRADABLE COLLOIDAL PARTICLES FOR PULMONARY

APPLICATIONS IN PARTICULAR (AS AMENDED)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 13, 2005

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below.

Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.

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Remarks are submitted on page 12.